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This is a request for filing a ☐ continuation ☒ divisional application under 37 CFR § 1.53(b), of pending prior application no. 09/545,354 filed on April 7, 2001.

of Frattini et al.

(inventor(s) currently of record in prior application)

for Apparatus and Method for Ultrasonically Cleaning Irradiated Nuclear Fuel Assemblies

(title of invention)

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- 4a. ☐ New formal drawings are enclosed.

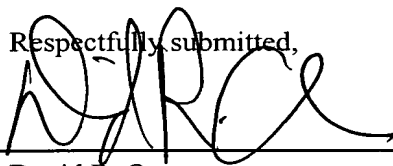
- 4b. ☐ Informal drawings are enclosed.
- 5a. ☐ Priority of application no. filed on in is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119.
- 5b. ☐ The certified copy has been filed in prior application no. , filed .
6. ☒ The prior application is assigned of record to Electric Power Research Institute, Inc.
- 7a. ☒ A copy of the Power of Attorney filed in the prior application no. 09/545,354, filed April 7, 2001 is enclosed.
- 7b. ☐ A Power of Attorney is enclosed.
8. ☐ This application contains nucleic acid and/or amino acid sequences required to be disclosed in a Sequence Listing under 37 CFR §§1.821-1.825. It is requested that the Sequence Listing in computer readable form from prior application no., filed on be made a part of the present application as provided for by 37 C.F.R. §1.821(e). The sequences disclosed therein are the same as the sequences disclosed in this application. A copy of the paper Sequence Listing from application no. is enclosed.
9. ☐ The undersigned states, under 37 C.F.R. §1.821(f), that the content of the enclosed paper Sequence Listing from application no. is the same as the content of the computer readable form submitted in application no. .
10. ☐ DO NOT PUBLISH. I hereby certify that the invention disclosed in the attached application has not and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing. I hereby request that the attached application not be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b).
11. ☒ Additional enclosures or instructions. ✓
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